

intend to gather and present information related to these issues.

We will schedule short (10 to 15 minute) presentations by our staff and the public on these and other related topics. Individuals interested in making a presentation at the meeting must contact Herbert Silverman or Danielle Grush at the above noted telephone numbers or by fax at (410) 786-1048 no later than September 28, 1999. Individuals must identify the topic or issue they want to discuss. Only a limited number of presentations will be allowed because of time constraints. In an effort to assure that all viewpoints are represented, we will notify the participants selected to make presentations by September 30, 1999.

While the meeting is open to the public, attendance is limited to available space. Individuals must register in advance as described below.

Registration

Individuals may register by sending a fax to the attention of either Herbert Silverman or Danielle Grush at the above number. At the time of registration, please provide your name, address, and telephone and fax numbers. Your fax transmission sheet receipt will constitute confirmation of your registration. Individuals will be contacted only if space is unavailable. If you have questions regarding registration, please contact Ms. Grush. Materials will be provided at the time of the meeting.

We will accept written comments, questions, or other materials specific to the purpose of this meeting if received by September 28, 1999. Written submissions must be sent to: Health Care Financing Administration, Attn: Herbert Silverman, C4-17-27, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

You may contact Mr. Silverman at: Telephone: (410) 786-7702, Fax: (410) 786-1048, E-mail: hsilverman@hcfa.gov

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Dated: September 1, 1999.

Michael M. Hash,

Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

PRT-017018

Applicant: Donald E. Taylor, Olympia, WA.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-016881

Applicant: Hawthorn Corporation, Grayslake, IL.

The applicant requests a permit to export and re-import tigers (*Panthera tigris*), and progeny of the animals currently held by the applicant and any animals acquired in the United States by the applicant to/from worldwide locations, to enhance the survival of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a three-year period.

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR Part 18).

PRT-017017

Applicant: Robert Deligans, Sherman, TX.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any

party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: September 2, 1999.

Kristen Nelson,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Extension of Public Comment Period on Two Applications for Incidental Take Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Due to the recent relocation of our Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, the Fish and Wildlife Service is extending the public comment period on two separate applications for incidental take permits pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended*. These permit applications, from the California Department of Corrections and the Tulare Irrigation District, respectively, were noticed in the **Federal Register** on August 4, 1999 (64 FR 42407 and 42408).

DATES: Written comments on these applications should be received on or before September 15, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Field Supervisor, Fish and Wildlife Service, Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, W-2605, Sacramento, California 95825. Comments may be sent by facsimile to 916-414-6710.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lori Rinek or Mr. Chris Davis, Fish and Wildlife Biologists, at the above address (telephone: 916-414-6600).

Dated: September 1, 1999.

Elizabeth H. Stevens,

Deputy Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office.

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